

The “New” Storm Water Utility & You

History

Historically, the City of Crown Point has experienced major flooding events, resulting in widespread property loss and damage throughout the City.

Under the leadership of Mayor Dave Uran, the City is initiating proactive steps to correct the major storm water issues throughout the city.

In October of 2008, the Crown Point Common Council, with the cooperation of the Mayor’s Office and with the support of the Storm Water Advisory Board, established a Storm Water Utility and implemented a storm water fee to assist the city in moving forward to meet the immediate and ongoing needs of its citizens by making improvements to the storm water conveyance system.

What is the Purpose of the Storm Water Utility?

The purpose of the Storm Water Utility is to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the city by sufficiently planning, controlling, operating and maintaining the storm water management system.

What is the Storm Water Utility Responsible For?

The Storm Water Utility is responsible for all storm sewers and the collection and disposal of storm drainage. This Utility is also responsible for the implementation of all federal and state mandates regarding storm water drainage and erosion control.

What Areas are Served by the Storm Water Utility?

Only areas within the corporate limits of the city are served by the Storm Water Utility. If you have questions on your area of residence or business you may contact the Engineering Office at 219-662-3242

Is There a Storm Water Utility Fee?

A storm water utility fee shall be imposed on each and every lot or parcel of real property within the city including those classified as non-profit or tax-exempt, for services and facilities provided by the Utility.

How Much is the Storm Water Fee?

All lots in the City are classified as either Residential or Non-Residential. The monthly fee is currently \$6 for all residential partials and \$12 for all non-residential and multi-residential parcels.

(The non-residential fee is subject to adjustment)

What will the Money be Used For?

The storm water fee funds capital improvements, operations, maintenance, administrative services, field inspection and regulatory compliance.

When Will I Receive a Bill for the Fee?

The storm water utility user fee shall be included on the monthly sewage utility bill rendered to the established customer.

Can My Fees Be Reduced?

Currently, there are no reductions available for either residential or non-residential properties.

Who is in Charge of the Storm Water Utility?

The Storm Water Utility has been placed under the administrative responsibility of the Public Works Department... the same department that oversees the Water and Wastewater Utilities.

Are there any Boards and Commissions that deal with Storm Water?

Yes, both the Board of Public Works and Safety (meets every other Wednesday at 9:00 am) and the Storm Water Advisory Board (meets every 4th Monday at 5:30 pm) address concerns of storm water management.

Additional Information

If you would like additional information on the Storm Water Utility or have specific concerns about storm water management issues, please contact us.